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## U. S. TROOPS DRIVING VILLA INTO NET; MUST FIGHT OR ABANDON ARMY

### METZGER ANSWERS LAND CHARGE WITH VIGOROUS DENIAL

In Comprehensive Statement Sent to Star-Bulletin From Oregon He Explains History of Deal

### SAYS ROW STIRRED UP FOR PERSONAL REASONS

Declares That Lorrin A. Thurston is Trying to "Snipe" Governor Pinkham and Himself

Delbert E. Metzger, senator and well known business man of the island of Hawaii, answers with a vigorous denial the various charges of favoritism and irregularity in connection with the land deal at Waialeale between the territory and himself.

In a comprehensive statement sent to the Star-Bulletin from Baker, Ore., where he is now in business as an engineering contractor, Senator Metzger discusses the subject in detail and declares that the charges were stirred up by Lorrin A. Thurston for reasons of personal animosity against the senator himself and Governor Pinkham.

Senator Metzger says:

Baker, Ore., March 6, 1916.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin,

Honolulu, Hawaii.

Sir: Under the caption, "Land

Swap Stirred Up by Patient People of

Hilo," the Advertiser on February 18

printed a two-column "Mail Special,"

dated Hilo, February 14, that was no

doubt calculated to just raise the very

"old Ned." It purported to be an

expose by "bombshell" of a land deal

at Waialeale between the territory and

myself and was written by the very

able hand of Lorrin A. Thurston, as a

follow-up attack made by him at a

Hilo Board of Trade meeting on Feb-

ruary 14. The "bombshell" dropped on

the board by Mr. Thurston was one

of the gas variety, charged with hear-

say accredited to Norman Lyman and

otherwise filled with misstatements

of fact, insinuations and innuendoes—

and everyone knows that when it

comes to the manufacture of this sort

of implement Lorrin A. takes off his

hat to no one in the land—did not

have sufficient weight and solid sub-

stance to get more than a few lines of

indirect mention in the Hilo papers, so

no doubt suffering extreme pique

at this, and the opportunity being

open to shoot again from cover at two

enemies at the same time, Governor

Pinkham and myself, it just had to be

done, and we find the author, after

several days of deliberative frame-up,

"busting" his bomb on the Honolulu

community through the medium of his

own paper. That is a great system:

Owning a newspaper and writing "mail

special" bombshell correspondence

to it. You can just make it appear

that the enemy is being blown to

fragments. It is what a few own

ers regard as "the power of the

press."

But, when Mr. Thurston takes his

pen in hand and sits down to his

congenial task of writing bombs, he

will make most any of our "explosives"

sit up and take notice. The "mail

special" was presented in the writer's

happiest vein; it was a great pleasure

and he was just in his best element

but nevertheless he studiously and

carefully laid out the material in his

compelling "item one," "item two"

style.

Statement of Facts.

A few years ago I should have paid

no attention to charges concerning

me that were utterly false, but I know

better now than to pass all of them

up without protest, so here is a brief

statement of facts covering all essen-

tials having to do with my quarry

land deal with the territory, including

a little other history that goes hand

in hand:

I leased the land in question, 90.3

acres (not 140, as stated in special

from Waialeale Mill Company in Feb-

### FUNSTON ASKS FOR CAVALRY

American Line of Communication Now Over 100 Miles

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)  
EL PASO, Tex., March 21.—Meager despatches that passed the American military censors bring news that Gen. "Pancho" Villa is being driven into a net in which he must either give battle or abandon his force and seek refuge in hiding in the mountainous country.

American aviators are seeking to locate the Villa bands in the Sierra Madre mountains. A wireless despatch says that the outlaw chief has been forced into another battle with Carranzas near Las Cruces. Americans have been despatched to aid the Carranza troops. The American columns are drawing a cordon around Villa and within a few days it will be known whether he will meet his fate by giving battle or hasten to the mountains.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 21.—Gen. Funston, at the request of Gen. Pershing, has asked that additional infantry be sent south of the border to protect the line of communication, which already is more than 100 miles long.

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 21.—Two aeroplanes from the 1st squadron, en route to Columbus from the Mexican front, have been lost, owing to the high winds. A wireless from the field army says that in one of the accidents Lieut. Thos. S. Bowen fell 50 feet, suffering a broken nose and other injuries, and that his machine was wrecked. He was caught in a whirling wind.

### NO INCREASE IN WILDER'S TAXES IF BILL IS PAID

That the local circuit court has no jurisdiction to restrain Charles R. Forbes, superintendent of public works, from presenting to Territorial Treasurer C. J. McCarthy or Territorial Auditor J. H. Fisher for collection any warrants which may be tendered him on account of vouchers referred to in Judge A. A. Wilder's four injunction suits against the superintendent and other officials, is one of the allegations in Mr. Forbes' demurrers to the suits, filed today.

Judge Wilder's suits, which named the governor, Mr. Forbes, the auditor, the treasurer and the members of the harbor board and public utilities commission, as respondents, seek to prevent the payment of any of the expenses incurred by Mr. Forbes during his recent trip to Washington, D. C. Worded Nearly Alike.

Aside from Mr. Forbes, the harbor board, public utilities commission and other respondents filed demurrers today, I. M. Stainback, territorial attorney-general, representing the parties, with one or two minor exceptions, the wording is the same in all the demurrers.

Mr. Forbes' demurrer declares that Wilder's complaint does not state facts sufficient to warrant the issuance of the injunction prayed for, as

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### NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

	Today.	Yesterday.
Alaska Gold	19 3/4	20 1/4
American Smelter	101 1/4	101 1/4
American Sugar Rfg.	110 1/2	110 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	129 1/2	129 1/2
American Copper	86 1/2	86 1/2
Atchafalpa	103 1/2	103 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	106 1/2	106 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	88 1/2	88 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	505	520
Calif. Petroleum	23	23 1/2
Canadian Pacific	94 3/4	94 3/4
C. & M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	45 1/4	44 3/4
Colo. Fuel & Iron	90	89 1/2
Cruible Steel	37 1/4	37 1/4
Erie Common	168	168
General Electric	141 1/2	141 1/2
General Motors	56 1/2	57
Great Northern Pfd.	121 1/2	122 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. Y.	110	109 3/4
Kennecott Copper	56 1/2	56 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	78 1/2	78 1/2
New York Central	105	104 1/4
Pennsylvania	56 1/2	57
Ray Consol.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Southern Pacific	99	99 1/2
Studebaker	141 1/2	143 1/2
Tennessee Copper	53 1/2	56 1/2
Union Pacific	133 1/2	133 1/2
U. S. Steel	84 1/2	84 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	116 1/2	116 1/2
Utah	81 1/2	81 1/2
Western Union	89 1/2	80 1/2
Westinghouse	66	66

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### TRIPLE SIZE OF MOANA HOTEL BY TWO NEW WINGS

Work Will Begin at Once on Project to Cost \$150,000; Will Be Fireproof

### TWO HUNDRED NEW ROOMS; PRIVATE BATH FOR EACH

Open-Sided Pavilion Fronting on Beach to Be One Feature; H. L. Kerr, Architect

To begin work at once on two modern wings of fireproof construction, which will triple the present number of rooms at the Moana hotel—that is the definite plan announced today by the Territorial Hotel Company.

Plans drawn by H. L. Kerr, which have been under consideration for some time, have been definitely adopted. The exterior of the Moana, after the addition of the two new wings, will appear substantially as shown in the line drawing on this page. Interior plans, while still subject to minor changes, provide for 200 additional bedrooms, each with a private bath.

The new wings, each of which will front on Kalakaua avenue, will be built over the drive which now circles the building. The driveway will be kept as at present.

Pavilion in One Wing.

One feature of the main floor at the Waikiki end of the building will be a large pavilion, open on three sides, and fronting directly on the beach. This will be available for dancing, and the present Moana reception room, now often used as a ball room, will be converted into a parlor. Spacious lanais on each floor will front the makai court.

Though the present building is of frame, the new wings are to be of

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### OPIUM PEDDLER ARRESTED HERE SHOT TO DEATH

Shot to death by prospective purchasers of opium whom he tried to dupe with molasses, the body of Leon J. Duffy, drug-dealer and trafficker, who was arrested here during Carnival week, with empty opium tins in his possession, was found in the kitchen of his home, 41 Richmond avenue, San Francisco, the night of March 10, according to the Examiner of March 11, copies of which arrived on the Moana today.

Duffy was involved in the San Francisco ball bond swindles of last August and was the means of bringing about the investigation that caused the indictment of many. He had presented a forged release order, with the fraudulent signature of Police Judge Crist, for the release of James Williams, now serving a life term in San Quentin. He later informed on his confederates.

The man was arrested here by customs officials February 23 and brought before U. S. Marshal J. J. Smiddy. The inspectors had found empty tins, supposedly opium, in his possession, together with stereotyped plates bearing Chinese characters used in making opium labels.

Duffy told Marshal Smiddy he had made the tins on the Northern Pacific, on the voyage over, and that he intended to fill them with molasses and sell them as opium. He was released, as none of the drug was found in his possession.

### Mrs. Wundenberg Weds Blind Man From Trenches

Cards were received today from Mrs. Frederick W. Wundenberg, or who just before sending them bore that name, announcing her marriage to a soldier returned from the war. His name is Almond, and he is totally blind from injuries received in the trenches.

Mrs. Wundenberg's former husband was postmaster-general of the kingdom of Hawaii in Kalakaua's reign, also for a brief period was marshal under the provisional government.

He was a brother-in-law of General Soper. When married he had reached middle age and died after a few years of wedded life.

### GERMAN CONSUL ASKED TO QUIT HONOKAA BOARD

Georg Rodiek Forced From Directorate at Instigation of British Consul, He Says

### GORDON MUM; LANZ SAID TO HAVE RESIGNED, TOO

Officers of Company Refuse to Give out Either Confirmation or Denial of Blow-Up

Georg Rodiek, German consul, asked to resign from the directorate of the Honokaa Sugar Company, because of objections from E. L. S. Gordon, British consul.

That was the rumor which flew up and down brokers' row this morning, and was received in some quarters with disbelief and in other localities with credence.

"Yes, it is quite true," said Mr. Rodiek, when asked concerning the rumor this afternoon.

"I was virtually forced from the directorate of Honokaa, and was given to understand that my resignation was sought because my presence on the board was objectionable to the British consul in Honolulu.

"I have no other details to add. Perhaps it was feared that I might get the company to ship part of its product to Germany—through hostile countries, or hostile lines of ships. At any rate I have resigned."

Gordon Keeps Mum.

E. L. S. Gordon, British consul, this afternoon declined curtly to be quoted on the matter, saying that he supposed any information to be given out would emanate from the secretary of the company.

F. A. Schaefer, president of Honokaa, who was at his home this afternoon, declined to come to the phone when his messenger was told that information about Honokaa was desired. He referred the inquirer to his office. At the office of F. A. Schaefer & Company, Ltd., J. W. Waldron, secretary of Honokaa, would not discuss the report, having neither affirmation nor denial to offer.

Rumor Lanz Resigned.

Following close on the heels of the Rodiek resignation the rumor spread like wildfire that W. Lanz, vice-president of Schaefer & Company, and a Honokaa director, had also resigned.

Mr. Lanz, like the rest, refused to discuss the matter.

"Then you do not wish to be quoted as either confirming or denying the report, Mr. Lanz?" he was asked.

"Absolutely not," came the emphatic reply.

This afternoon it was common street rumor that J. M. Dowsett and A. J. Campbell had been chosen Honokaa directors, to succeed Mr. Rodiek and Mr. Lanz.

Honokaa Sugar Company officers, elected at the annual meeting last month, are as follows: F. A. Schaefer, president; W. H. Baird, vice-president; J. W. Waldron, secretary; James Greig of San Francisco, assistant secretary; W. Lanz, treasurer; Audit Company of Hawaii, auditors.

The directors, until today, have been: F. A. Schaefer, W. H. Baird, W. Lanz, J. W. Waldron, H. Pocke, Georg Rodiek and J. T. McCrossen.

### CHINESE REVOLT GAINS STRENGTH, SAYS CABLEGRAM

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 21.—Leong Gok Tung, editor of the Chinese Republic Journal, has been named to succeed Tong King Chong, who died recently, as head of the Chinese Republic Association. He is one of the leaders in the revolutionary movement.

News has been received here that 16,000 revolutionists, under Luy Ung-tung, governor of Kwangsi, are attacking Kwangtung, and the Commercial Society of Kwangsi has implored the military governor to declare its independence of President Yuan's government. This comes in a cablegram to the association from Shanghai.

### FRED WALDRON GIVING DINNER FOR OLD AND NEW CHAMBER HEADS

As retiring president of the Chamber of Commerce, Fred L. Waldron will give a dinner at 7 o'clock tomorrow evening at the Country Club in honor of the old officers of the chamber and new ones elected last week. The occasion will be purely a social one and business will be forgotten. "It's simply for the ins and out of the chamber," said Mrs. Waldron today. There will be 25 or 30 guests.

### JUDGES' NOMINATIONS GO OVER FOR WEEK TO AWAIT ANY PROTESTS



U. S. District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan, who has been appointed federal judge. His name is among those held up in Washington.

(Special Star-Bulletin Cable)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The senate judiciary committee yesterday ordered a favorable report to be made to the senate upon the nomination of S. C. Huber of Tama, Iowa, to be U. S. district attorney for Hawaii.

The nominations of judges go over for a week for action, under the rules by which the committee proceeds. This affords opportunity for protests to be filed or charges made.

U. S. ALBERT.

The judicial nominations are as follows:

A. G. M. Robertson for chief justice of the territorial supreme court (recess reappointment).

William L. Whitney for second judge of the first circuit court (recess reappointment).

Horace W. Vaughan for federal judge.

J. Wesley Thompson for judge of the third circuit (Hawaii).

Clem K. Quinn for judge of the fourth circuit (Hawaii).

### U. S. TO WORK WITH MEXICANS ON VILLA HUNT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—President Wilson called a cabinet meeting today at which the Mexican situation received long attention. At the conclusion it was announced that the government accepts the proposal for a protocol requested by the de facto Carranza government, regulating relations between the two countries growing out of the pursuit of Villa and the conduct of the American expedition. The two governments will cooperate in the pursuit of Villa, it is announced.

### IRISH OPPOSITION TO RECRUITING BRINGS ON RIOTING AT TULLAMORE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

LONDON, Eng., March 21.—News has been received here that rioters of the Sinn Fein (Irish) society fired on the police at Tullamore, Ireland, three policemen being wounded. It is reported that the Sinn Fein members are campaigning actively against recruiting in Ireland.

### SEATTLE POLICE MAY HAVE MURDERER OF 1905

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 21.—A police telegram from Seattle says that the Bertillon measurements of James Maralana, who is in jail there, conform to the measurements of Peter Torrich, who is wanted at San Francisco for the murder of John Valardo in April, 1905.

### GETTING PLANS LAID

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

CHICAGO, Ill., March 21.—The subcommittee on arrangements for the Republican national convention adjourned today to meet the middle of June to elect a temporary chairman.

### SEA ENGAGEMENT OFF BELGIAN COAST; LAND FIGHT ON VERDUN FRONT IS RENEWED WITH FURY

RUSSIANS REPORTED SUCCESSFUL IN TWO IMPORTANT ARENAS, BUKOWINA AND PERSIA—BELGIUM GETS ASSURANCES OF PART IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireles)

LONDON, England, March 21.—A battle at sea was fought off the Belgian coast between warships from the German and British fleets with reports differing as to the results.

The official announcement from British naval authorities says that four British and three German vessels met off the Belgian coast and continued:

"When the British sighted the Germans the latter turned and ran for Zeebrugge, on the Flanders coast. They were chased by our destroyers. A running fight ensued in which two German boats were hit."

BERLIN, Germany, March 21.—The official German account of the sea battle off Belgium says:

"The battle resulted successfully for us off Flanders. Three German torpedo-boats and five British destroyers were engaged. The enemy severed the engagement after receiving several hits, and steamed out of sight at full speed."

The following cablegram from official German sources was received today:

German Navy Report, March 21.—A German naval aeroplane squadron heavily bombarded military establishments at Dover, Deal and Ramsgate, England, on the afternoon of March 19. A violent fire from the land batteries and enemy's flyers responded. Numerous hits with excellent effect were noticed as a result of the bombs from the German aeroplanes, all of which returned safe."

### AUSTRIA CLAIMS HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK UNWARNED

Official German Cablegram Brings Report of Submarine Outrage; Artillery and Aeroplanes Active on West Front

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

BERLIN, Germany, March 21.—Repeated successes today marked the attacks of the Germans on the west front. The Germans stormed and conquered the entire fortified French positions northeast of Avocourt. In addition to considerable losses and many wounded, the enemy lost 32 officers and more than 2500 men, taken prisoners by the Germans, and much war material.

The nearby positions were captured. In counter-attacks the enemy lost heavily.

The Russians are extending their activities on the east front to the south of the Riga-Dvina line, west of Jacobstadt. Their attacks have been repulsed with heavy losses.

### TEUTONS NOW USE LIQUID FLAMES, DECLARES PARIS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

PARIS, France, March 21.—West of the Meuse on the west front today the Germans renewed their offensive from Avocourt to Malancourt. The attacks were accompanied by special machines which hurled flaming liquids from three wings.

The Germans sustained heavy losses but despite them took possession of part of the Malancourt wood.

### RUSSIANS WIN VICTORIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

LONDON, England, March 21.—Reports have been received from the east front telling of further Russian successes. The Austrians operating northwest of Usciecko, near the Bukovina border, were forced by the Slav army to evacuate the bridgehead fortifications by which they held their positions. The Austrian statement says that the defenders succeeded in reaching the Austrian posts near Czernowitz.

### Hay Army Bill Now About One-Third Complete

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Work is being continued on the army reorganization bill fostered by Chairman Hay of the house military affairs committee. It is now about one-third complete. As the bill stands, the president has authority, without consulting Congress, to increase the army from 140,000 to 175,000, and to summon 80,000 reservists.

An amendment offered by Congressman Gardner of Massachusetts, to raise the pay of privates to \$20 per month, and to make other increases, was defeated without a roll-call.

### CHINESE GUNBOAT IS BEACHED BY FEDERAL CREW; ROBBERS GET IT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireles)

SHANGHAI, China, March 21.—Revolutionists have fired upon the Chinese gunboat Tschuan, near Fung Tu Hsien. The warship was beached and the crew abandoned it to robbers.

Bulgaria is reported to have informed Austria that the restoration of Prince William of